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SUBJECT: PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY DISCUSSES CORRUPTION

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1. REFTEL REPORTED DEBATE IN PEOPLE'S ASSEMBLY ON THREE CHARGES OF ALLEGED CORRUPTION WITHIN GOE: EXCESSIVE COMMISSIONS ON CITRUS EXPORTS TO BLOC; HIGH PRICES OF IRANIAN BUSES; HIGH PRICES FOR SPANISH REINFORCING BARS. FIRST CASE HAS BEEN TURNED OVER TO PUBLIC PROSECUTOR; SECOND CHARGE WAS NOT FOUND TO BE CORRECT (CAIRO 4825) AND NOW THIRD CASE HAS BEEN SETTLED - MORE OR LESS TO SATISFACTION OF CONCERNED PARTIES.

2. DEBATE IN ASSEMBLY ON JUNE 2 CONCERNING SPANISH RE-BARS WAS REPORTED IN PRESS AS "STORMY", WITH MOST OF THE DISCUSSION CENTERING AROUND PERSONALITIES OF PRINCIPAL ACCUSER, A DR. EL QADI, AND THE ACCUSED, MINISTER OF HOUSING AND RECONSTRUCTION OSMAN. SINCE PURCHASE IN QUESTION WAS NEVER CONCLUDED (SPANISH COMPANY BACKED OUT, ACCORDING TO OSMAN, AND HE WAS UNABLE TO GET GOS TO FORCE COMPLIANCE) SUBJECT WAS REALLY ACADEMIC, BUT HARSH WORDS WERE EXCHANGED NEVERTHELESS.

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3. REPORT OF PA, AS FINALLY ANNOUNCED, EXONERATED OSMAN

OF ANY WRONG DOING, BUT DID FOCUS ATTENTION ON NEED FOR  
BETTER CONTROL OF GOE NEGOTIATING TEAMS AND COMMITTEES  
ESTABLISHED TO CONCLUDE CONTRACTS.

4. COMMENT: CONCERN IN EGYPTIAN BODY POLITIC OVER  
ALLEGED CORRUPTION HAS PROBABLY NOT BEEN DIMINSHED  
BY HANDLING OF TWO CASES IN ASSEMBLY, BUT THE PUBLIC FUROR THAT  
MIGHT HAVE BEEN GENERATED SEEMS TO HAVE BEEN AVOIDED.  
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